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| For: | SPEECH CODING APPARATUS CAPABLE OF IMPLEMENTING ACCEPTABLE IN-CHANNEL TRANSMISSION OF NON-SPEECH SIGNALS | |

LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

August 14, 2001

Sir:

Attached hereto, please find a Supplemental PTO-1449 form. We have filed this Supplemental PTO-1449 form to correct minor errors made with the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement on July 30, 2001.

We note that the date for the European publication was listed incorrectly as 1994-01-05. The correct date is 1997-04-09. We also note that the ITU Recommendation G. was incorrectly listed as 279 when it should have been 729.

Please replace this PTO-1449 form with the PTO-1449 form which was submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement on July 30, 2001.

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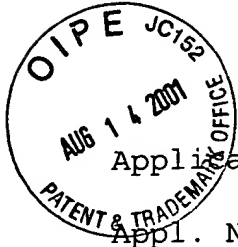
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Sir:

Under the provisions of MPEP § 2001.06(b), the Examiner is
hereby advised of the following co-pending U.S. Application(s):

| <u>Appl. No.</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> | <u>Group</u> |
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The subject matter contained in the above-listed co-pending
U.S. application(s) may be deemed to relate to the present
application, and thus may be material to the prosecution of this
instant application.

Copies of cited U.S. patent application(s) (specification,
claims, and the drawings) or copies of the portion of the
application which caused it to be cited, including any claims
directed to that portion are attached hereto.

☒ The materials in the envelope are considered trade secrets and are being submitted for consideration under MPEP § 724.

The above-listed co-pending application(s) is(are) not to be construed as prior art. By bringing the above-listed application(s) to the attention of the Examiner, Applicant(s) do(does) NOT waive any confidentiality concerning the above-listed co-pending application(s) or this application. See MPEP § 101. Furthermore, if said application(s) should not mature into patents, such application(s) should be preserved in secrecy under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 122 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.14.

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